

Name(s): _____ Date: _____



Be a Web Detective

Name of Website: _____

URL: _____

Evaluation Directions: With a partner you will check out various websites and look at them critically (with a magnifying glass) to decide if:

- Everything is included = 3 points
- Some parts are included = 2 points
- Can't find the parts = 1 point

Then check off on the chart. Finally, add up the points to decide if the website is reliable enough. Check off yes if 18-15 points. Check off use caution if 14-12 points. Check off no if below 11.

| | 3 points | 2 points | 1 point |
|--|----------|----------|---------|
| Publisher -Electronic version of a newspaper/magazine/ journal -URL ends with .gov or .edu -Looks like a professional website and has a logo | | | |
| Author -Name is given -Contact information is listed such as email | | | |
| Bias -Stays away from opinions and persuasive language -Gives facts | | | |
| In-Depth -Links to other sources or cites other articles similar -Gives statistics like math information | | | |
| Accurate -Other websites have the same information | | | |
| Up-to-Date -Shows when the website was last updated -No link rot (dead links) | | | |

Total: _____ **points**

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Do you recommend?

_____ **yes** _____ **use caution** _____ **no**